

65. (A) Delete 'of' after 'pending'.

Preposition is not used after the following words : Pending, during, regarding, considering, touching, barring, respecting, notwithstanding, concerning etc.

66. (D) Put 'about' after 'you'.

The preposition is placed at the end of the sentence when its object is the relative pronoun 'that'.

67. (A) Replace 'from' by 'of'. 'Deprive' is always followed by preposition 'of'.

68. (D) Replace 'by' by 'for'. The idiom is 'word for word'.

69. (C) Put 'from' after 'different'.

Care should be taken not to use the same preposition with two words unless it is appropriate to each of them.

70. (D) Replace 'from' by 'on'. 'start', 'begin', 'commence' are normally followed by preposition 'on'.

Section E

1. (D) Add after dagger. The form of the idiom is 'at daggers drawn'. Idioms should be used as they are without changing their form.
2. (D) Put 'out' after 'turn' in order to complete the idiomatic phrase.
3. (B) Put 'are' before, instead of, after 'you'. In an interrogative sentence helping verb is placed before the subject.
4. (B) Change 'is' to 'was' in order to get it to agree with the tense of the reporting verb.
5. (A) Add 'As he was' or 'while he was' before 'sitting'. The participle should not be left without agreement or with no agreement at all.
6. (D) Change 'broke down' to 'broke up'.
7. (D) Replace 'happened' by 'fell' or 'took place'.
8. (B) Change 'give off' to 'give up' which means 'leave'.

9. (A) Change the expression like this : 'How you behave with others' since it is an assertive and not an interrogative sentence.

10. (A) Replace 'with' by 'away from'. 'Part with' means 'to give', while 'part away from' from 'to be separated'.

11. (B) Delete 'was'. It is redundant here.

12. (C) Add 'been' before 'so conspicuous', in order to complete the verb.

13. (A) Change the expression like this : What you do. Refer to answer to Q. No. 9.

14. (E) The sentence is correct.

15. (D) Change the question tag from 'is not it ?' to 'hadn't he ?' Refer to rule no. 2.

16. (D) Delete 'with'. The idiom is 'bag and baggage' and hence should be used as such.

17. (A) Change 'pages after pages' to 'page after page'.

18. (A) Change 'what to' to 'Not to'.

19. (A) Change 'At his sight' to 'At the sight of him'.

20. (A) Change 'Good night' to 'Good evening'. 'Good night' is used while parting.

21. (C) Put 'the' before 'day'.

22. (C) Change this expression like this : 'talk much and do little'.

23. (B) Change 'do not sleep' to 'do not go to bed'.

24. (A) Replace 'what to say' by 'Not to talk'.

25. (D) Change 'his family members' to 'the members of his family'.

26. (B) Delete 'the' before 'least'.

27. (E) The sentence is correct.

28. (A) Change the expression like this : 'The greater the family, the larger the house'.

29. (D) Change it like this : 'his father of his acts of mischief'.

30. (A) Replace 'without' by 'unless'.

CHAPTER 2

ANTONYMS

Directions—In each of the following questions one word, a numbered one, is followed by four or five words. Choose the word or phrase that is **MOST NEARLY OPPOSITE** in meaning of the numbered word.

1. **Abstain :**

- | | |
|-------------|--------------|
| (A) Hoard | (B) Tolerate |
| (C) Forbear | (D) Begin |

2. **Profusion :**

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|----------------|---------------|
| (A) Aspersions | (B) Scarcity |
| (C) Aversion | (D) Confusion |

3. **Obscure :**

- | | |
|--------------|---------------|
| (A) Implicit | (B) Obnoxious |
| (C) Explicit | (D) Pedantic |

4. **Repulsive :**

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|---------------|---------------|
| (A) Alluring | (B) Refulgent |
| (C) Effulgent | (D) Meek |

5. **Ambiguous :**

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| (A) Auxiliary | (B) Responsible |
| (C) Salvageable | (D) Clear |

6. **Attractive :**

- | | |
|----------------|---------------|
| (A) Repulsive | (B) Loathsome |
| (C) Abominable | (D) Repugnant |
| (E) None | |

7. **Rigid :**

- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| (A) Merciful | (B) Generous |
| (C) Lenient | (D) Tolerant |
| (E) None | |

8. **Benign :**

- | | |
|----------------|------------|
| (A) Malevolent | (B) Soft |
| (C) Friendly | (D) Unwise |
| (E) None | |

9. **Cool :**

- | | |
|--------------|-----------------|
| (A) Hot | (B) Warm |
| (C) Tempered | (D) Indifferent |
| (E) None | |

10. **Genuine :**

- | | |
|----------------|---------------|
| (A) Unnatural | (B) Synthetic |
| (C) Artificial | (D) Sham |
| (E) None | |

11. **Singular :**

- | | |
|------------|-------------|
| (A) Dull | (B) Ancient |
| (C) Common | (D) Social |

12. **Frugal :**

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------|
| (A) Extravagant | (B) Rich |
| (C) Miserable | (D) Happy |

13. **Permit :**

- | | |
|-----------|--------------|
| (A) Give | (B) Forbid |
| (C) Allow | (D) Preserve |

14. **Consolidate :**

- | | |
|-------------|------------|
| (A) Weaken | (B) Expand |
| (C) Destroy | (D) Build |

15. **Trivial :**

- | | |
|-------------|---------------|
| (A) Serious | (B) Intricate |
| (C) Calm | (D) Dainty |

16. **Acquit :**

- | | |
|-------------|-------------|
| (A) Retreat | (B) Convict |
| (C) Conceal | (D) Deprive |

17. **Always :**

- | | |
|--------------|-------------|
| (A) Disallow | (B) Never |
| (C) None | (D) Descend |

18. **Ancient :**

- | | |
|---------------|---------------|
| (A) Repulsion | (B) Modern |
| (C) Disappear | (D) Departure |

19. **Bitter :**

- | | |
|-----------|-----------|
| (A) Blunt | (B) Bold |
| (C) Timid | (D) Sweet |

20. **Bright :**

- | | |
|------------|-----------|
| (A) Narrow | (B) Dull |
| (C) Coward | (D) Sharp |

21. **Safe :**
(A) Dangerous (B) Risky
(C) Injurious (D) Troublesome
(E) Frightening
22. **Obeying :**
(A) Ordering (B) Following
(C) Refusing (D) Contradicting
(E) Protesting
23. **Asked :**
(A) Ordered (B) Ignored
(C) Requested (D) Directed
(E) Refused
24. **Commissioned :**
(A) Started (B) Closed
(C) Finished (D) Terminated
(E) Unlocked
25. **Covering :**
(A) Excluding (B) Exhibiting
(C) Avoiding (D) Hiding
(E) Protecting
26. **Inspid :**
(A) Tasty (B) Stupid
(C) Discreet (D) Feast
27. **Lucid :**
(A) Glory (B) Noisy
(C) Obscure (D) Distinct
28. **Malignant :**
(A) Virulent (B) Prime
(C) Benign (D) Swallow
29. **Extricate :**
(A) Manifest (B) Palpable
(C) Release (D) Entangle
30. **Gallant :**
(A) Fine (B) Bold
(C) Coward (D) Frolic
31. **Fixed :**
(A) Affixed (B) Scheduled
(C) Undecided (D) Detached
(E) Loose
32. **Tired :**
(A) Fresh (B) Active
(C) Lively (D) Retired
(E) Wheeled
33. **Awake :**
(A) Careless (B) Causal
(C) Fickle (D) Asleep
(E) Ignorant
34. **Startled :**
(A) Amused (B) Relaxed
(C) Endless (D) Astonished
(E) Pleased
35. **Watch :**
(A) Ignore (B) Neglect
(C) Clock (D) Invasion
(E) Connivance
36. **Extension :**
(A) Diminution (B) Condensation
(C) Deletion (D) Subtraction
(E) Weakening
37. **Authentic :**
(A) Wretched (B) Unfaithful
(C) Harmful (D) Unreal
(E) Improper
38. **Sacred :**
(A) Ignoble (B) Impure
(C) Ordinary (D) Unimportant
(E) Trivial
39. **Reflect :**
(A) Darken (B) Return
(C) Refuse (D) Refract
(E) Camouflage
40. **Living :**
(A) Dull (B) Weak
(C) Lifeless (D) Fruitless
(E) Invigorating
41. **Adherent :**
(A) Detractor (B) Enemy
(C) Alien (D) Rival
42. **Quiescent :**
(A) Indifferent (B) Troublesome
(C) Weak (D) Unconcerned
43. **Bury :**
(A) Open (B) Disinter
(C) Close (D) Examine
44. **Condense :**
(A) Expand (B) Distribute
(C) Interpret (D) Lengthen

45. **Cajole** :
 (A) Confide (B) Disclose
 (C) Dissuade (D) Detract
46. **Rarely** :
 (A) Hardly (B) Definitely
 (C) Frequently (D) Absolutely
 (E) Periodically
47. **Great** :
 (A) Large (B) Short
 (C) Little (D) Small
 (E) Narrow
48. **Privilege** :
 (A) Difficulty (B) Benefit
 (C) Problem (D) Hardship
 (E) Disadvantage
49. **Severe** :
 (A) Soft (B) Mild
 (C) Weak (D) Strong
 (E) Strict
50. **Guilty** :
 (A) Innocent (B) Pure
 (C) Argetic (D) Virtuous
51. **Moisture** :
 (A) Dryness (B) Delicate
 (C) Dampness (D) Defect
52. **Rigid** :
 (A) Hard (B) Toxic
 (C) Flexible (D) Strong
53. **Deficit** :
 (A) Explicit (B) Implicit
 (C) Surplus (D) Superfluous
54. **Magnify** :
 (A) Reduce (B) Induce
 (C) Produce (D) Destroy
55. **Bizarre** :
 (A) Soft (B) Gentle
 (C) Same (D) Usual
56. **Overwrought** :
 (A) Alive (B) Calm
 (C) Excited (D) Alert
57. **Pacify** :
 (A) Injure (B) Offend
 (C) Aggravate (D) Insult
58. **Onerous** :
 (A) Easy (B) Complex
 (C) Plain (D) Straightforward
59. **Modicum** :
 (A) Immodesty (B) A large amount
 (C) Brazenness (D) Simplicity
60. **Recalled** :
 (A) Called (B) Forgot
 (C) Rejected (D) Forgave
 (E) Remembered
61. **Deviate** :
 (A) Obviate (B) Break
 (C) Locate (D) Follow
 (E) Concentrate
62. **Vividly** :
 (A) Unintentionally (B) Unimpressively
 (C) Unscrupulously (D) Unwillingly
 (E) Unpopularly
63. **Releases** :
 (A) Liberates (B) Closes
 (C) Confines (D) Provides
 (E) Strengthens
64. **Acumen** :
 (A) Intelligence (B) Imbecility
 (C) Potentiality (D) Unfamiliarity
 (E) Superficiality
65. **Accord** :
 (A) Concord (B) Policy
 (C) Dissent (D) Act
 (E) Solution
66. **Weary** :
 (A) Punctual (B) Impulsive
 (C) Amusing (D) Energetic
 (E) Graceful
67. **Seldom** :
 (A) Occasionally (B) Frequently
 (C) Continuously (D) Marginally
 (E) Rarely
68. **Ratify** :
 (A) Disapprove (B) Discredit
 (C) Depreciate (D) Denounce
 (E) Dislocate

69. **Credible :**
 (A) Unchangeable (B) Insurmountable
 (C) Unmanageable (D) Unpopular
 (A) Arrogant (B) Praiseworthy
 (C) Respectful (D) Pious
 (E) Benign
71. **Augment :**
 (A) Surpass (B) Follow
 (C) Prohibit (D) Decrease
 (E) Compensate
72. **Disparage :**
 (A) Criticize (B) Ensure
 (C) Cajole (D) Justify
 (E) Honour
73. **Humility :**
 (A) Integrity (B) Pride
 (C) Modesty (D) Disgrace
 (E) Insult
74. **Meanness :**
 (A) Generosity (B) Kindness
 (C) Pragmatism (D) Timidity
75. **Extreme :**
 (A) Moderate (B) Timid
 (C) Casual (D) Ordinary
76. **Extensive :**
 (A) Restricted (B) Limited
 (C) Little (D) Ordinary
77. **Serious :**
 (A) Thoughtful (B) Insincere
 (C) Smug (D) Jolly
78. **Diligent :**
 (A) Lazy (B) Earnest
 (C) Spiritual (D) Steady
 (E) Singular
79. **Noticed :**
 (A) Ignored (B) Observed
 (C) Summoned (D) Unattended
 (E) Obscured
80. **Foot :**
 (A) Head (B) Base
 (C) Peak (D) Flat
 (E) Roof
81. **Alleviate :**
 (A) Intensify (B) Exaggerate
 (C) Stimulate (D) Exasperate
 (E) Perpetrate
82. **Group :**
 (A) Solitary (B) Single
 (C) One (D) Individual
 (E) Alone
83. **Advancement :**
 (A) Disorganisation (B) Collapse
 (C) Decay (D) Deterioration
 (E) Retrogression
84. **Overturn :**
 (A) Agree (B) Inform
 (C) Maintain (D) Reconcile
 (E) Acclaim
85. **Complicated :**
 (A) Fragmented (B) Composite
 (C) Simple (D) Smooth
 (E) Straight
86. **Intolerable :**
 (A) Acceptable (B) Negligible
 (C) Bearable (D) Light
 (E) Agreeable
87. **Generous :**
 (A) Miserly (B) Stagnant
 (C) Inhospitable (D) Specific
 (E) Selfish
88. **Unbecoming :**
 (A) Courteous (B) Happening
 (C) Charming (D) Modest
 (E) Appropriate
89. **Extraordinarily :**
 (A) Exceptionally (B) Unusually
 (C) As is common (D) Exactly
 (E) Plainly
90. **Sure :**
 (A) Promising (B) Indefinite
 (C) Uncertain (D) Unfaithful
 (E) Undependable
91. **Famous :**
 (A) Widely known (B) Infamous

- (C) Easily known (D) Notorious
(E) Gentle
92. **Arrest :**
(A) Trap (B) Imprison
(C) Chase (D) Release
(E) Catch attention
93. **Enough :**
(A) Inadequate (B) Scarce
(C) Sufficient (D) Plenty
(E) Understandable
94. **Short :**
(A) Tall (B) Less
(C) More (D) Long
(E) Suddenly
95. **Silly :**
(A) Gentle (B) Simple
(C) Wise (D) Innocent
(E) Notorious
96. **Worried :**
(A) Cheerful (B) Upset
(C) Pleasant (D) Satisfied
(E) Eager
97. **Seized :**
(A) Possessed (B) Caught
(C) Left (D) Captured
(E) Relaxed
98. **Proceeded :**
(A) Discard (B) Went ahead
(C) Reversed (D) Refused
(E) Brought back
99. **Attained :**
(A) Received (B) Failed
(C) Ignored (D) Lost
(E) Unlearned
100. **Well-round :**
(A) Undeveloped (B) Comprehensive
(C) Scattered (D) Insignificant
(E) Inadequate
101. **Hortatory :**
(A) Inquiring (B) Denying
(C) Killing (D) Frantic
(E) Dissuading
102. **Opprobrium :**
(A) Delineate (B) Aptitude
(C) Majesty (D) Praise
(E) Freedom
103. **Propinquity :**
(A) Remoteness (B) Uniqueness
(C) Health (D) Virtue
(E) Simplicity
104. **Ephemeral :**
(A) Evergreen (B) Deciduous
(C) Biennial (D) Everlasting
(E) Tactile
105. **Sanguine :**
(A) Bloody (B) Gloomy
(C) Happy (D) Thin
(E) Red-faced
106. **Sacred :**
(A) Religious (B) Impious
(C) Bold (D) Harmful
(E) Injurious
107. **Simple :**
(A) Higher (B) Mixed
(C) Modern (D) Complex
(E) Adorned
108. **Forbade :**
(A) Allowed (B) Prohibited
(C) Wished (D) Enabled
(E) Provided
109. **Interesting :**
(A) Tasteless (B) Uncomfortable
(C) Monotonous (D) Painful
(E) Annoying
110. **In Ridicule :**
(A) In riddles (B) Affectionately
(C) Seriously (D) Directly
(E) Happily
111. **Spurious :**
(A) Genuine (B) Fake
(C) Mitigated (D) Interrogated
(E) Glorious
112. **Salubrious :**
(A) Salty (B) Bloody

- (C) Miasmic (D) Maudlin
(E) Wanted
113. **Refulgent** :
(A) Overflowing (B) Effortless
(C) Noisy (D) Snoring
(E) Dim
114. **Obsequious** :
(A) Supercilious (B) Successful
(C) Democratic (D) Ambitious
(E) Lamentable
115. **Eclectic** :
(A) Brilliant
(B) Not choosing
(C) Short pastoral poem
(D) Conclusive
(E) Comic
116. **Truculent** :
(A) Peaceful (B) Fawning
(C) Automotive (D) Unruly
(E) Fantastic
117. **Discrete** :
(A) Prudent (B) Judicious
(C) Joined (D) Stunted
(E) Artistic
118. **Extrinsic** :
(A) Germ proof (B) Eccentric
(C) Uncultivated (D) Internal
(E) Dependable
119. **Consensus** :
(A) Poll (B) Disharmony
(C) Conference (D) Altitude
(E) Judicious
120. **Indigenous** :
(A) Destitute (B) Insulting
(C) Livid (D) Homogeneous
(E) Foreign
121. **Absolve** :
(A) Bless (B) Blame
(C) Melt (D) Repent
(E) Intoxicate

122. **Sacrosanct** :
(A) Sacerdotal (B) Sanctimonious
(C) Sacramental (D) Unholy
(E) Reconcilable
123. **Intransigent** :
(A) Harsh (B) Reconcilable
(C) Fly-by-night (D) Impossible
(E) Statistical
124. **Ingenuous** :
(A) Quick (B) Talented
(C) Mischievous (D) Plotting
(E) Flattering
125. **Propitiate** :
(A) Anger (B) Approach
(C) Predict (D) Applaud
(E) Bless

Answers

1. (D) 2. (B) 3. (C) 4. (A) 5. (D)
6. (A) 7. (C) 8. (A) 9. (B) 10. (D)
11. (C) 12. (A) 13. (B) 14. (A) 15. (A)
16. (B) 17. (B) 18. (B) 19. (D) 20. (B)
21. (B) 22. (A) 23. (B) 24. (B) 25. (B)
26. (A) 27. (C) 28. (C) 29. (D) 30. (C)
31. (D) 32. (A) 33. (D) 34. (B) 35. (B)
36. (A) 37. (D) 38. (B) 39. (D) 40. (C)
41. (A) 42. (B) 43. (B) 44. (A) 45. (D)
46. (C) 47. (D) 48. (E) 49. (B) 50. (A)
51. (A) 52. (C) 53. (C) 54. (A) 55. (D)
56. (B) 57. (C) 58. (A) 59. (B) 60. (B)
61. (E) 62. (B) 63. (C) 64. (B) 65. (C)
66. (D) 67. (B) 68. (D) 69. (E) 70. (D)
71. (D) 72. (E) 73. (B) 74. (A) 75. (A)
76. (A) 77. (D) 78. (A) 79. (A) 80. (C)
81. (D) 82. (D) 83. (E) 84. (C) 85. (E)
86. (E) 87. (E) 88. (C) 89. (E) 90. (C)
91. (D) 92. (D) 93. (B) 94. (D) 95. (C)
96. (A) 97. (C) 98. (C) 99. (D) 100. (C)
101. (E) 102. (D) 103. (A) 104. (D) 105. (B)
106. (B) 107. (D) 108. (A) 109. (E) 110. (C)
111. (A) 112. (C) 113. (E) 114. (A) 115. (B)
116. (A) 117. (C) 118. (D) 119. (B) 120. (E)
121. (B) 122. (D) 123. (B) 124. (D) 125. (A)

CHAPTER 3

SYNONYMS

Directions—In each of the questions below choose, from the alternatives given, the word which is **MOST NEARLY THE SAME IN MEANING** of the numbered word.

1. **Alacrity :**
(A) Briskness (B) Fear
(C) Frankness (D) Alarm
(E) None
2. **Busy :**
(A) Active (B) Occupied
(C) Preoccupied (D) Diligent
(E) None
3. **Bitterness :**
(A) Sourness (B) Hoarseness
(C) Acrimony (D) Aspersion
(E) None
4. **Sterile :**
(A) Dry (B) Barren
(C) Childless (D) Arid
(E) None
5. **Altercation :**
(A) Choice (B) Charge
(C) Heated dispute (D) Distribution
(E) None
6. **Prohibit :**
(A) Prescribe (B) Forfeit
(C) Forbid (D) Provide
7. **Stupid :**
(A) Rude (B) Dull
(C) Illiterate (D) Obstinate
8. **Synopsis :**
(A) Index (B) Mixture
(C) Summary (D) Puzzle
9. **Graphic :**
(A) Moving (B) Timid
(C) Obvious (D) Instructive
10. **Showy :**
(A) Rowdy (B) Hungry
(C) Greedy (D) Gaudy
11. **Annihilate :**
(A) Destroy (B) Entrain
(C) Forward (D) Testify
12. **Pacify :**
(A) Gather (B) Allot
(C) Calm (D) Remit
13. **Liberal :**
(A) Broad-minded (B) Generous
(C) Visionary (D) Imaginative
14. **Security :**
(A) Boldness (B) Safety
(C) Fearlessness (D) Confidence
15. **Diligent :**
(A) Fool (B) Unhappy
(C) Hardworking (D) Disappointment
16. **Predominant :**
(A) Lovable (B) Important
(C) Vague (D) Assurance
17. **Utility :**
(A) Benefit (B) Usefulness
(C) Profitability (D) Advantage
18. **Compassion :**
(A) Kindness (B) Similarity
(C) Contrast (D) Cruelty
19. **Contentment :**
(A) Craftiness (B) Satisfaction
(C) Idleness (D) Craving

20. **Fiction :**
 (A) Imaginary (B) Tamed
 (C) Novel (D) Wilderness
21. **Fugitive :**
 (A) Escaping (B) Enduring
 (C) Vain (D) Weak
22. **Exponent :**
 (A) Meddler (B) Cancel
 (C) Advocate (D) Horrid
23. **Goad :**
 (A) Soothe (B) Save
 (C) Irritate (D) Worship
24. **Foment :**
 (A) Extirpate (B) Provoke
 (C) Isolation (D) Abrasion
25. **Imperceptible :**
 (A) Mean (B) Obvious
 (C) Humble (D) Subtle
26. **See :**
 (A) Talk (B) Observe
 (C) Stand (D) Look
 (E) Progress
27. **Installed :**
 (A) Prepared (B) Settled
 (C) Started (D) Manufactured
 (E) Established
28. **Contain :**
 (A) Prevent (B) Limit
 (C) Hold (D) Express
 (E) Control
29. **Eventually :**
 (A) Suddenly (B) Ultimately
 (C) Quickly (D) Abruptly
 (E) Initially
30. **Essential :**
 (A) Desirable (B) Necessary
 (C) Beneficial (D) Unavoidable
 (E) Advisable
31. **Turn :**
 (A) Shift (B) Curve
 (C) Move (D) Rotate
 (E) Fabricate
32. **Awakened :**
 (A) Enlightened (B) Realized
 (C) Shook (D) Briefed
 (E) Woken
33. **Diversion :**
 (A) Amusement (B) Distortion
 (C) Deviation (D) Bylane
 (E) Change
34. **Pass :**
 (A) Qualify (B) Die
 (C) Cross (D) Spend
 (E) Elongated
35. **Wretched :**
 (A) Poor (B) Foolish
 (C) Insane (D) Strained
 (E) Transfer
36. **Delivered :**
 (A) Granted (B) Spread
 (C) Given (D) Announced
 (E) Displayed
37. **Realize :**
 (A) Establish (B) Cherish
 (C) Prove (D) Fulfil
 (E) Understand
38. **Hushed :**
 (A) Silenced (B) Appeared
 (C) Composed (D) Provoked
 (E) Soothed
39. **Commands :**
 (A) Dictates (B) Wields
 (C) Orders (D) Authorizes
 (E) Possesses
40. **Lest :**
 (A) Worried (B) Fearing
 (C) For fear that (D) In order that
41. **Infrequent :**
 (A) Never (B) Usual
 (C) Rare (D) Sometimes
42. **Meteoric :**
 (A) Brilliant
 (B) Celestial
 (C) Pertaining to the metric system
 (D) Like a star

43. **Initiative :**
 (A) Introductory step
 (B) Keen interest
 (C) Self-Confidence
 (D) Firm step
44. **Lethal :**
 (A) Lawful (B) Deadly
 (C) Legitimate (D) Harmful
45. **Observed :**
 (A) Replied (B) Pleaded
 (C) Said (D) Argued
 (E) Narrated
46. **Mustered :**
 (A) Should (B) Collected
 (C) Gathered (D) Stored
 (E) Accumulated
47. **Rescue :**
 (A) Command (B) Help
 (C) Defence (D) Safety
 (E) Side
48. **Blessed :**
 (A) Holy (B) Wise
 (C) Pure (D) Immortal
 (E) Learned
49. **Absolute :**
 (A) Reliable (B) Limitless
 (C) Narrow (D) Reasonable
50. **Ambition :**
 (A) Goal (B) Aspiration
 (C) Desire (D) Expectation
51. **Interrogate :**
 (A) To question (B) To stop
 (C) To interfere (D) To enter the gate
52. **Competence :**
 (A) Ability (B) Compensation
 (C) Efficiency (D) Competition
53. **Rebate :**
 (A) Commission (B) Discount
 (C) Gift (D) Interest
54. **Grubby :**
 (A) New (B) Unwashed
 (C) Muddy (D) Wet
55. **Infernal :**
 (A) Exacting (B) Devilish
 (C) Damaging (D) Hateful
56. **Placid :**
 (A) Dull (B) Enjoyable
 (C) Calm (D) Clear
57. **Plush :**
 (A) Tasty (B) Luxurious
 (C) Delicacies (D) Comforting
58. **Overstrung :**
 (A) Active (B) Energetic
 (C) Too sensitive (D) Full of much strain
59. **Different :**
 (A) Various (B) Dissimilar
 (C) Distinct (D) Changed
 (E) Special
60. **Part with :**
 (A) Give (B) Share
 (C) Collect (D) Distribute
 (E) Throw
61. **Unusual :**
 (A) Uncommon (B) Unnatural
 (C) Unpleasant (D) Unwanted
 (E) Insignificant
62. **Subject :**
 (A) Topic (B) People
 (C) Crime (D) Ruler
 (E) Provide
63. **Handled :**
 (A) Reported (B) Settled
 (C) Tackled (D) Punished
 (E) Judged
64. **Displayed :**
 (A) Exhibited (B) Kept
 (C) Rested (D) Removed
 (E) Sold
65. **Conducive :**
 (A) Prohibitive against
 (B) Helping to reduce
 (C) Prove to minimise
 (D) Tending to promote
 (E) Helping to deteriorate

66. **Congregation :**
 (A) Succession (B) Progression
 (C) Assemblage (D) Patronage
 (E) Association
67. **Fortify :**
 (A) Racial (B) Destroy
 (C) Reproduce (D) Strengthen
 (E) Generate
68. **Ethnic :**
 (A) Racial (B) Indigenous
 (C) Patriotic (D) Colourful
 (E) Hereditary
69. **Fragile :**
 (A) Valid (B) Delicate
 (C) Frank (D) Incapable
 (E) Unit
70. **Precinct :**
 (A) Religion (B) Priest
 (C) Apartment (D) Preceding
 (E) Vicinity
71. **Amenable :**
 (A) Truthful (B) Pleasant
 (C) Pliable (D) Generous
 (E) Responsible
72. **Impending :**
 (A) Delayed (B) Imminent
 (C) Dangerous (D) Catastrophic
 (E) Dominating
73. **Admonish :**
 (A) Scold (B) Pacify
 (C) Display (D) Warn
 (E) Appeal
74. **Annex :**
 (A) Possess (B) Retrench
 (C) Combine (D) Add
 (E) Heighten
75. **Commemorate :**
 (A) Manipulate (B) Harmonise
 (C) Remember (D) Boast
 (E) Lament
76. **Meticulous :**
 (A) Slow (B) Secretive
 (C) Lazy (D) Very careful
77. **Posterity :**
 (A) Prosperity (B) Future generations
 (C) The wealthy (D) Art connoisseurs
78. **Gainsaying :**
 (A) Forgetting (B) Denying
 (C) Ignoring (D) Hiding
 (E) Protesting
79. **Domineering :**
 (A) Sick and unhealthy
 (B) Tending to order people about
 (C) Nagging
 (D) Incapable of affection
80. **Alleged :**
 (A) Said (without giving proof)
 (B) Boasted (without hesitation)
 (C) Proved
 (D) Gossipped
81. **Repay :**
 (A) Render (B) Restore
 (C) Compensate (D) Recover
 (E) Return
82. **Accomplished :**
 (A) Completed (B) Achieved
 (C) Fulfilled (D) Equipped
 (E) Received
83. **Fright :**
 (A) Worry (B) Alarm
 (C) Scare (D) Horror
 (E) Dismay
84. **Radically :**
 (A) Competely (B) Excessively
 (C) Severely (D) Naturally
 (E) Essentially
85. **Inspiration :**
 (A) Provocation (B) Influence
 (C) Stimulation (D) Intuition
 (E) Animation
86. **Sway :**
 (A) Control (B) Pressure
 (C) Weight (D) Power
 (E) Direction

87. **Accessories :**

- (A) Aids
- (B) Attachments
- (C) Supplementaries
- (D) Fasteners
- (E) Tools

88. **Fragment :**

- (A) Scrap
- (B) Crumble
- (C) Scatter
- (D) Cut
- (E) Dissection

89. **Scheduled :**

- (A) Backward
- (B) Poor
- (C) Lowly
- (D) Listed
- (E) Reserved

90. **Subsidize :**

- (A) Subscribe
- (B) Grant
- (C) Subordinate
- (D) Undervalue
- (E) Underwrite

91. **Elect :**

- (A) Choose
- (B) Poll
- (C) Reject
- (D) Sophisticated
- (E) Represent

92. **Adjourn :**

- (A) Decide
- (B) Reconcile
- (C) Dissolve
- (D) Terminate
- (E) Postpone

93. **Trimming :**

- (A) Shaving
- (B) Fitting
- (C) Cutting
- (D) Making
- (E) Arranging

94. **Surprising :**

- (A) Confusing
- (B) Shocking
- (C) False
- (D) Amazing
- (E) Strange

95. **Absorbed :**

- (A) Shocked
- (B) Engaged
- (C) Finished
- (D) Controlled
- (E) Attracted

96. **Importune :**

- (A) Export
- (B) Plead
- (C) Exhibit
- (D) Account
- (E) Visit

97. **Innocuous :**

- (A) Not capable
- (B) Not dangerous
- (C) Not eager
- (D) Not frank
- (E) Not peaceful

98. **Peripatetic :**

- (A) Wordly
- (B) Moving
- (C) Disarming
- (D) Seeking
- (E) Inherent

99. **Cynosure :**

- (A) Midway
- (B) Attrition
- (C) Hardihood
- (D) Centre of attraction
- (E) Circle

100. **Dipsomaniac :**

- (A) Realist
- (B) Thief
- (C) Sot
- (D) Pyromaniac
- (E) Suffering from irresistible craving for alcoholic drink

Directions—In each of the sentences given, a word/group of words is given in **bold**. Below each sentence are given five word/groups of words of which you have to choose one to substitute the bold word/group of words without changing its meaning.

101. He selected the books for the library **judiciously**.

- (A) Legally
- (B) Impartially
- (C) Lawfully
- (D) Justifiably
- (E) Reasonably

102. The police arrested the thief but its **accomplice** escaped.

- (A) Partner
- (B) Leader
- (C) Friend
- (D) Rival
- (E) Servant

103. They discussed for almost four hours but there was no **consensus**.

- (A) Unanimous agreement
- (B) Settlement
- (C) End
- (D) Unity
- (E) Harmony

104. Ambition is **subdued** by poverty.
(A) Won (B) Modified
(C) Challenged (D) Effected
(E) Suppressed
105. The Ten Five Year Plan **aimed at** a total production of 210 million kg. of tea.
(A) Triggers (B) Proposed
(C) Insisted (D) Delivered
(E) Concluded
106. He could not **give a good explanation** for his extra-ordinary behaviour.
(A) Account for
(B) Be satisfied with
(C) Provide evidence for
(D) Count on
(E) Readily dispense with
107. **Those who pass through this gate without permission** will be prosecuted.
(A) By passers (B) Absconders
(C) Thoroughfares (D) Trespassers
(E) Culprits
108. **A careful preservation and protection** of forest life is the need of the hour.
(A) Management (B) Embarkment
(C) Enhancement (D) Promotion
(E) Conservation
109. He could achieve success through **conscious efforts**.
(A) Efforts done with critical awareness
(B) Tremendous efforts
(C) Efforts done after gaining consciousness
(D) Efforts done after being awakened
(E) Efforts done without any desire
110. We are **looking forward** to good rains this year.
(A) Predicting (B) Getting
(C) Expecting (D) Visualising
(E) Encouraging
111. The booking clerk talked **rudely** to the passenger.
(A) Nicely (B) Slowly
(C) Gently (D) Roughly
(E) Abruptly
112. He was so **annoyed** that his face went red.
(A) Irritated (B) Sad
(C) Pleased (D) Desperate
(E) Delighted
113. Arun's father was **wild** at his behaviour.
(A) Frustrated (B) Angry
(C) Happy (D) Dejected
(E) Frightened
114. Though his toothbrush looks ordinary, it is **expensive**.
(A) Cheap (B) Superior
(C) Durable (D) Smooth
(E) Costly
115. It was **hard** for him to get his breath.
(A) Stiff (B) Rough
(C) Difficult (D) Strong
(E) Complicated
116. His visit to the U.S.A. proved a **damp squib**.
(A) A great success
(B) A curtain raiser
(C) An utter failure
(D) A thaw
117. The **raison d'être** for his action lies deep in his unconscious.
(A) Mother
(B) Explanation
(C) Support
(D) Reason for existence
118. He is old worshipper of **bacchus**.
(A) The Goddess of happiness
(B) The God of wine
(C) The God of beauty
(D) The God of love
119. His **penchant** for investigative work has earned him the pride of place in international journalism.
(A) A strong liking (B) Ability
(C) Achievement (D) Efforts
120. He **declined** our offer of help.
(A) Suspected (B) Misunderstood
(C) Consented to (D) Refused
(E) Was annoyed by

121. He tried hard to **avert** the accident.

- (A) Describe (B) Prevent
(C) Forget (D) Make light of
(E) Pay for

122. They discovered that the doctor was **an impostor**.

- (A) An inventor (B) A pretender
(C) A foreigner (D) A specialist
(E) A magician

123. The knight came upon his **adversary** in the forest.

- (A) Enemy (B) Sweetheart
(C) Relative (D) Leader
(E) Servant

124. He was not present at the **inception** of the programme.

- (A) Discussion (B) Conclusion
(C) Rejection (D) Beginning
(E) Finale

125. The word **solicitude** means most nearly.

- (A) Request (B) Isolation
(C) Seriousness (D) Recluse
(E) Concern

Answers

1. (A) 2. (C) 3. (C) 4. (B) 5. (C)
6. (C) 7. (B) 8. (C) 9. (C) 10. (D)
11. (A) 12. (C) 13. (B) 14. (B) 15. (C)
16. (B) 17. (B) 18. (A) 19. (B) 20. (C)
21. (A) 22. (C) 23. (C) 24. (B) 25. (D)
26. (B) 27. (E) 28. (C) 29. (B) 30. (D)
31. (A) 32. (A) 33. (A) 34. (C) 35. (A)
36. (C) 37. (E) 38. (A) 39. (C) 40. (C)
41. (C) 42. (A) 43. (A) 44. (B) 45. (C)
46. (C) 47. (D) 48. (A) 49. (B) 50. (B)
51. (A) 52. (A) 53. (B) 54. (B) 55. (B)
56. (C) 57. (B) 58. (D) 59. (B) 60. (A)
61. (A) 62. (A) 63. (C) 64. (A) 65. (D)
66. (C) 67. (D) 68. (A) 69. (B) 70. (E)
71. (C) 72. (B) 73. (D) 74. (C) 75. (C)
76. (D) 77. (B) 78. (B) 79. (B) 80. (A)
81. (E) 82. (C) 83. (D) 84. (C) 85. (E)
86. (A) 87. (B) 88. (B) 89. (D) 90. (E)
91. (A) 92. (E) 93. (E) 94. (D) 95. (B)
96. (B) 97. (B) 98. (B) 99. (D) 100. (E)
101. (E) 102. (A) 103. (A) 104. (E) 105. (B)
106. (A) 107. (D) 108. (E) 109. (A) 110. (C)
111. (D) 112. (A) 113. (B) 114. (E) 115. (C)
116. (C) 117. (D) 118. (B) 119. (A) 120. (D)
121. (B) 122. (B) 123. (A) 124. (D) 125. (E)

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